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And Sunday.

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LAWMAKERS OF MARYLAND ARE FOR ROOSEVELT

Poll of Legislature Shows
Former President Two-
to-One Favorite.

GOV. GOLDSBOROUGH IS FOR PRIMARIES

Only Twelve Members of House
Are for Taft, and One for
La Follette.

By JUDSON C. WELLIVER.

A poll of the Republican members of the Maryland legislature, showing them to be two to one in favor of Roosevelt, is given today as a basis for a confident claim, by the Roosevelt people, that the former President will be supported by that State's delegation at the national convention.

This demonstration of sentiment, along with the formation of numerous Roosevelt clubs throughout the State, has resulted in Governor Goldsborough declaring himself in favor of a direct Presidential preference primary this year.

The governor is himself a Taft man, being a former Federal officeholder by appointment of Mr. Taft; but the sentiment of his State has compelled recognition of the demand for primaries.

Fair Test of Opinion.

The legislative managers declare that the legislative poll is a fair test of State opinion. As evidence of their confidence in it, they have given out the detailed statement of Presidential preferences of the members. Instead of making vague claims, they give the actual alignment of members, as follows:

HOUSE.

FREDERICK COUNTY.

Howard D. Kefauver, Burkettsville, Md., R. 1.
Richard G. Molesworth, Mt. Airy, Md., R. 1.
Emory C. Remsburg, Buckeysville, Md., R. 1.

GARRETT COUNTY.

Samuel Lawton, Oakland, Md., T. R. 1.
John A. Long, Kitzmiller, Md., T. R. 1.
Edwin A. Weimer, Oakland, Md., T. R. 1.

HARFORD COUNTY.

Dr. C. W. Prince, Street, Md., T. R. 1.
Oliver S. Metzerott, Laurel, Md., T. R. 1.
William Smallwood, Duxey, Md., T. R. 1.

ALLEGANY COUNTY.

Simon H. Dukeworth, Lonaconing, T. R. 1.
William A. Huster, Cumberland, Md., T. R. 1.
Conrad J. Herpelt, Cumberland, Md., T. R. 1.

CALVERT COUNTY.

Edward H. Jones, Solomonsville, Md., T. R. 1.
John S. Sunderland, Lower Marlboro, Md., T. R. 1.
John P. Mudd, Bryansville, Md., T. R. 1.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Gawwode W. Galt, Hagerstown, Md., T. R. 1.
Andrew Cotnam, Fairplay, Md., T. R. 1.
S. Walter Stauffer, Sharpsburg, Md., T. R. 1.

BALTIMORE COUNTY.

David L. Harrison, 1513 N. Fulton, Baltimore, Md., T. R. 1.
William H. Maltbe, 2730 N. Charles, Baltimore, Md., T. R. 1.
Allen W. Beane, 1719 Harlem, Baltimore, Md., T. R. 1.

ST. MARY'S COUNTY.

George P. Cooper, 128 Light street, St. Mary's, Md., T. R. 1.
John R. Eysler, 827 W. Cross, St. Mary's, Md., T. R. 1.
Thomas S. Shuckers, 5 E. Montgomery, St. Mary's, Md., T. R. 1.

ANNAPOLIS.

Harry L. Parks, 1208 Pennsylvania, Annapolis, Md., T. R. 1.
William H. Fair, 128 Pennsylvania, Annapolis, Md., T. R. 1.
John S. Jeffers, 412 N. Carrollton, Annapolis, Md., T. R. 1.

SUMMARY HOUSE.

T. R. 24
Taft 12
La Follette 1
Uncertain 5

SENATE.

P. N. Zihnan, Allegany Co., T. R. 1.
Alec B. Duke, Calvert Co., T. R. 1.
Richard S. Snader, Carroll Co., T. R. 1.

John P. T. Mathias, Frederick Co., T. R. 1.
Harry J. Speicher, Garrett Co., T. R. 1.
Washington Wilkerson, St. Mary's Co., T. R. 1.

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WEATHER REPORT.

FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT.

Fair tonight; temperature about freezing. Sunday fair.

TEMPERATURES.

U. S. BUREAU OF WEATHER, WASHINGTON, D. C.
8 a. m. 28
9 a. m. 28
10 a. m. 28
11 a. m. 28
12 noon 28
1 p. m. 28
2 p. m. 28

TIDE TABLE.

Today: High tide, 6:22 a. m. and 5:40 p. m. Low tide, 1:28 a. m. and 12:51 p. m.

SUN TABLE.

Sun rises..... 6:10/Sun sets..... 6:58

MAINE SINKS TO REST WITH ALL HONORS OF WAR

Historic Old Fighter, Flower
Laden, Goes Down in
Florida Straits.

HAVANA CITIZENS PAY FORMAL TRIBUTE

Cruisers Bearing Bones of Vic-
tims on Way to American
Shores.

HAVANA, Cuba, March 16.—Trade

and commerce stopped in Havana today in final honor to the Maine. Government buildings were closed, shutters were on the windows of most of the mercantile establishments. On twin flagstaffs, on nearly every structure in the business section of the city, on the government palaces, and forts, including historic old Morro Castle, the national ensigns of the United States and Cuba were displayed. They fluttered lazily, entwined with great bands of crepe.

Through the streets of the city men in uniform passed and re-passed. Privates wore bands of crepe on their left arms, officers wore it knotted about the hilts of their side arms. On all sides the scene was one of solemnity.

It was Cuba's last tribute to the old Maine and the 275 officers and men of her company whose death in the local harbor that warm night in February, fourteen years ago, gave the little island a separate place in the company of nations.

At Rest Nine Miles Out.

For the battered hulk of the old fighting machine, robbed of all semblance of the majestic vessel which once cleaved the blue waters of the deep, and left only by great bulkheads of timber, was forever laid at rest in the quiet Florida straits, nine miles from the place where the vessel met her death. Conveyed by sister ships, and accompanied by the entire strength of the Cuban navy, the wreck was consigned to the deep with all of the honors of war.

Her flag, hoisted above her shattered hulk on the day she finally emerged from the muddy bottom where she had lain for many years, went down proudly and majestically with her, capped for a moment by the sluggish Gulf stream, before it finally passed out of sight forever to the accompaniment of the last tribute that can be paid a fighter.

Solemn Mass Sung.

Solemn mass of requiem was celebrated this morning by Very Rev. Father Chidwick, chaplain of the Maine. He was assisted by all of the priests of the Havana diocese, and in attendance were nearly every official of the Cuban government, from President Gomez down; officers of the Cuban army and

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G. O. P. SPLIT ON EVE OF PRIMARY

North Dakota Scene of Battle Be-
tween Roosevelt and La
Follette.

BISMARCK N. D., March 16.—With the first State-wide Presidential preference primary ever held in this country but two days away, the La Follette and Roosevelt forces in North Dakota today locked horns for the final struggle for votes. La Follette announced today that he will carry on the fight to the very opening of the polls on Tuesday. His campaign has been extended to include speeches at Minot, Monday afternoon, and Devils Lake, Monday afternoon. Arrangements for a speech in another town for Monday night are being made.

Local Roosevelt campaigners are making no effort to carry the primary without their chief's presence. John P. Bass, leader of the Roosevelt speakers, is following the route covered by La Follette. He is spurring the workers on to keep voters in line for Roosevelt. La Follette speaks at Fargo this afternoon and at Grand Forks tonight. He will spend Sunday in Fargo, conferring with his campaign managers and start out again early Monday. In the meantime the La Follette and Roosevelt clubs in each town and the workers in country precincts are urging the voters to turn out Tuesday.

Scene of Tragedy, and Two Victims of Outlaws



DEXTER GOAD,
Clerk of Court.

JUDGE THORNTON MASSIE.

STEAMSHIP SINKS IN CRASH; DEATH LIST MAY REACH SCORE

Liner Oceana Hit by Ger-
man Bark—Women
Among Those Lost.

LONDON, March 16.—Despite the fact the life savers and officials at Eastbourne insist that twenty-five passengers lost their lives early today when the palatial Oceana of the P. and O. line, bound for Bombay, was rammed and sunk by the German bark Pirangua, officials of the line insisted this afternoon that only seven passengers were missing.

A French traveler came into Eastbourne today with two bodies of victims of the wreck of the liner, and it is believed that not less than fifteen were drowned.

Survivors who arrived here this afternoon confirmed the report that between fifteen and twenty were drowned. The Eastbourne officials sent a thrilling tale of how an overcrowded lifeboat was launched from the steamer and after wallowing a moment in the trough of the sea was capsized by an enormous wave.

Mostly Women.

The occupants of this boat were mostly women. The life savers watched helplessly from the shore as they frantically tried to launch their own lifeboat. The sailing ship is blamed for the wreck and it is believed here that she may have become unmanageable in the wind eddies that exist off the coast where the collision occurred.

While the officers hurried to their posts and the Englishmen in the crowd stood by to launch the lifeboats the wireless operator on the Oceana was shouting appeals for help to every point of the horizon. They were picked up by other steamers and soon were hurrying to the scene from Eastbourne.

Life Boats Lowered.

The commander of the Oceana had ordered that the lifeboats be lowered as it was plain from the beginning that the vessel had suffered serious damage. But before the first boat had been put over the side the Luscar men and fore-castle hands made a mad rush for the boats, knocking the passengers down wherever they blocked their path. The officers had to use their revolvers to regain control.

HIGH PRESSURE PLAN STRONGLY OPPOSED BY COMMISSIONERS

Declare Proposed Protection
Against Fire Is Not
Necessary Now.

The project to install a high pressure water main service to supplement the District Fire Department is to be abandoned, if Congress adopts the recommendations made to that body by the commissioners today. The extremely high cost of installing such a system is given as the reason for the temporary abandonment of the plan of the "city fathers," which have been on foot for the last twelve years.

Until the Commissioners receive assurance that there will be a substantial reduction in the insurance rates by the fire insurance companies, they say they will not again ask for the appropriation necessary for the system. There is no hope at this time for obtaining a lower premium rate, they say.

The establishing of the system was first suggested by the Superintendent of the Water Department, under date of October 3, 1909, and in the annual estimates of former boards an appropriation has several times been requested. The estimated cost is \$25,000, and the annual cost of maintenance \$5,750.

The principal justification of the large expenditure would be involved," the Commissioners say, "would be a consequent reduction in insurance rates. The National Board of Fire Underwriters, in their report of August, 1905, stated that the conflagration hazard in Washington was slight, owing to low heights, small areas, wide streets, and open spaces in block interiors.

The total fire losses in the District for the last ten years, as given in the annual reports of the chief of the Fire Department, aggregate \$253,711.

Bandits Kidnap Son of Chinese Rockefeller

SHANGHAI, March 16.—Bandits today kidnaped the young son of Sheng Kung Pas, the millionaire oil magnate, known as the "Rockefeller of China." A note received by his father hours later said if \$100,000 ransom is not paid the boy will be murdered.

FISHER WILL URGE CANAL MACHINERY FOR ALASKAN ROAD

Secretary to Ask Congress
to Authorize Transfer
of Equipment.

A recommendation is to be made to Congress that the equipment now being used to build the Panama Canal be employed, when released, to construct the railroad planned by the Government in Alaska.

Secretary Walter Fisher, of the Interior Department, who has just returned from a visit to the Canal Zone, had a talk on the subject with President Taft today.

Secretary Fisher said he would take immediate steps to present the matter to Congress in order that the work may be started as soon as possible, if the lawmakers think well of his suggestion.

The railroad under contemplation is to run from Seward to the Matanuska coal fields. It became apparent some time ago that private capital could not be induced to undertake the work at the present time, and that if the railroad was to be built at all the Government would have to do it.

The subject was therefore made the text of a bill now before Congress. There has been some objection to the undertaking on account of the cost, and Secretary Fisher's suggestion is intended to overcome this obstacle.

"Are the workers in the coal fields to understand that there is no hope for them in the future," says the committee, "but that always and for ever the award of the anthracite coal commission, now ten years old, is the only basis upon which they can work? This award was based on conditions ten years ago.

"We know the cost of living has increased 50 per cent and we ask in all fairness how the anthracite miner can be expected to raise, feed, and clothe his family and care for them as they should be cared for on the same wage he was allowed to earn ten years ago."

Low Rates To Florida Via Atlantic Coast Line, March 16th. Round trip to Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Port Myers, \$25.00; St. Augustine, \$33.00; Palm Beach, \$31.00. Limit 25 days. Correspondingly low rates to other Southern points. Office, 1419 N. Y. Ave.—Adv.

"SID" ALLEN DEFIES POSSE TO REMOVE HIM FROM HOUSE

Reported Battle and Death of Wife of Outlaw
Leader Proves a Myth—Barricaded in
\$20,000 Home Six Miles From Hillsville.

BALDWIN, UNDISMAYED, VOWS TO CAPTURE MOUNTAINEER

By WILLIAM P. KENNEDY.

BARREN SPRINGS, Va., March 16.—Sidney Allen, outlaw leader, and brother of Floyd Allen, whose conviction in the court house at Hillsville, was the signal for the slaughter of an entire court of justice, is not under arrest and his wife is not dead.

Reports brought overland last night from Hillsville to the nearest telegraph stations told of a fight between Sidney Allen and the sheriff's posse in which Allen's wife was shot to death while loading rifles for her husband to fire. Allen, it was said, was sorely wounded and had been forced to surrender.

This morning an investigation discovered that the report of the battle, the death and the capture had grown from the fact that word had been brought to Hillsville yesterday that Sidney Allen had barricaded himself in his \$20,000 home six miles from the Hillsville court house, and had sent out word that he would fight to the death if an attempt were made to take him.

Up to this afternoon no report of an attack on the Allen home has reached here, although D. O. Baldwin, leader of the large force of detectives now at Hillsville, has announced that Allen's threat will not prevent him attempting an arrest.

Allens Indicted.

STATE DEPARTMENT HEARS AMERICANS FACE MASSACRE

Mexicans Said to Have Made
Threat Against Residents
of Tampico.

The State Department was informed today of a threat by Mexican rebels to kill all Americans who remain in Tampico after 4 o'clock this afternoon.

An anonymous letter is said to have been circulated among the Americans warning them to leave the city unless they want to come to harm.

The matter was brought to the attention of the government authorities in Tampico, who have promised that their proper precautions for the protection of Americans would be taken.

The State Department has also been informed that the towns of San Fernando and Burgo, in the state of Tamaulipas, have revolted.

Considerable anxiety continues to exist over the effect of President Taft's proclamation forbidding the transfer of arms across the Mexican border.

Several minor outbreaks since the neutrality law was amended have not diminished the expectation that the rebels would seek to wreak vengeance on unprotected Americans in Mexico.

The number of refugees fleeing from the smaller and more isolated towns has accordingly increased, and every American who is able to do so is quitting the country.

The most recent advices from Mexico indicate that that city itself is finally on the point of being besieged, and that a rebel force is camped within a very few miles of the national palace. The Federal troops have been rushed to intercept the attack, and the news of a battle is expected at any time.

Hunt Is On Today.

Pressing cautiously up slippery mountain paths, closing in like hounds about a fox, two score detectives, aided by a dozen or more plain feudists, today began their hazardous hunt for the desperadoes of the Allen gang.

Swollen creeks and mountain roads knee-deep in sticky mud hindered pursuit. Wary in their flight, the Allens cut nearly all of the few telephone wires leading into the mountain fastnesses, leaving the hunting ground

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MINERS REGISTER A FINAL PROTEST

Declare Operators' Attitude Makes
a Strike Absolutely
Necessary.

NEW YORK, March 16.—Placing the responsibility for the breaking off of the negotiations for a peace agreement in the anthracite field squarely at the door of the operators, the union committee today insisted that it had been denied opportunity to discuss or explain why the union demanded better wages and reformed working conditions in the hard coal field. After issuing the statement the committee returned to Pennsylvania satisfied that a strike on March 31 was certain and insisting the miners would "go out as an individual and remain out until the operators make the demanded concessions."

"Are the workers in the coal fields to understand that there is no hope for them in the future," says the committee, "but that always and for ever the award of the anthracite coal commission, now ten years old, is the only basis upon which they can work? This award was based on conditions ten years ago.

IN CONGRESS TODAY

SENATE.
Senate met at noon.

General pension bill considered after morning business is disposed of. Senator Kern speaks for Sherwood bill. Senator Lea seeks resolution adopted calling on Attorney General for information about Harvester trust reorganization.

N. P. Alfus heard before Committee on Education and Labor in behalf of Government machinists for eight-hour bill.

Judiciary Committee considers workmen's compensation measure further.

HOUSE.

The House met at noon.

Congressman Adamson presented the report of the Interstate Commerce Committee on the Panama bill. Debate was begun on the excise tax bill.

An agreement was reached to vote on this bill next Tuesday.

The District Committee decided to hold hearings next Friday on the Norris bill providing Presidential primaries in the District.

Members of the Moss Committee discussed informally the reopening of the Wiley-McCabe controversy.